IN THE MATTER OF \* BEFORE THE

KAREN MAY PLOCINIK \* MARYLAND BOARD

LICENSE NO.: R158862 \* OF NURSING

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## ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT OF REGISTERED NURSE LICENSE TO INACTIVE STATUS

## I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

On February 24, 2016, the Maryland Board of Nursing (the "Board") accepted the voluntary surrender of the license of Karen May Plocinik (the "Respondent") to practice as a registered nurse ("RN"), license number R158862, in the State of Maryland for a minimum of five (5) years. The surrender of the Respondent's RN license was based on her expulsion from the Rehabilitation Program<sup>1</sup>.

## II. CONSIDERATION OF REINSTATEMENT APPLICATION

On or about March 22, 2022, the Respondent submitted a request to the Board to reinstate her license to practice as an RN in the State of Maryland to inactive status so she can take a Board-approved RN refresher course. In support of her reinstatement request, the Respondent submitted a letter requesting reinstatement, a receipt for a criminal history records check, and an application for renewal.

The Board has reviewed and considered all information that the Respondent submitted in support of her application for reinstatement of her RN license to inactive status, as well as all additional information in the Respondent's file. Accordingly, upon consideration of the Respondent's request, the Board will reinstate the Respondent's RN license and place her RN license on inactive status for one (1) year for the Respondent to complete a Board-approved RN

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Effective October 1, 2017, the Rehabilitation Program was renamed as the Safe Practice Program.

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## III. ORDER

Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby:

ORDERED that the license of the Respondent, Karen May Plocinik, to practice as a registered nurse in the State of Maryland, license number R158862, is REINSTATED to INACTIVE STATUS for a period no longer than ONE (1) YEAR from the date of this Order for the limited purpose of completing a Board-approved RN refresher course; and it is further

ORDERED that if the Respondent fails to submit written proof that she successfully completed a Board-approved RN refresher course within ONE (1) YEAR from the date of this Order, this Order shall have no further force and effect, and the Respondent's RN license will revert back to surrendered; and it is further

ORDERED that this Order is a PUBLIC RECORD pursuant to Maryland Code Ann., General Provisions §§ 4-101 et seq. (2019 Repl. Vol.).

Date 2022

Karen E. B. Evans MSN, RN-BC The Executive Director's Signature Appears on the Original Document